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## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY- USA PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **CHEMICAL SWITCHING OF NUCLEIC ACID CIRCUIT ELEMENTS**; the specification of which was filed on June 21, 2005 as Application Serial No. 10/540,279 and was described and claimed in PCT International Application No. PCT/CA2003/001589 filed on October 15, 2003.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above;

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56;

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Codes § 119(e) of any United States provisional application(s) listed below.

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